

# St. Ignatius of Antioch

February 21, 2021 - The First Sunday of Lent

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Lord, you brought salvation to Noah through the waters and carried him through his time of trial to a covenant of love.

All times and all seasons belong to you. As we now begin this time, this season, our time of trial, stay close to us. Carry us through our temptations. Remove all that keeps us apart from you. Lead us by the right paths so that we may live in the light of your love.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



*United in Faith, Ignited by the Spirit, We Reflect the Light of the Living Christ*

**Fr. Robert K. Rien**  
Pastor

**Fr. Richard Mangini**  
Assisting Clergy

**Deacon Gary Hack**  
Permanent Deacon

**Peter Degl'Innocenti**  
Pastoral Associate, Pastoral Care

**Carolyn Krantz, M.Div.**  
Pastoral Associate, Social Justice

**Maryann Peddicord**  
Pastoral Secretary

**Estrella Rusk**  
Financial Secretary

**Rich Confetti**  
Facilities Manager

**Faith Formation and  
Sacramental Preparation**  
Contact Parish Office

**Music Ministry**  
Contact Parish Office

## Eucharist Schedule

In-person Liturgies have been suspended effective November 17 due to increased virus activity. **Sunday liturgy is available on YouTube. See parish website for link.**

**Walk-up Holy Communion: Sunday 10:30 - 11:30 am.**

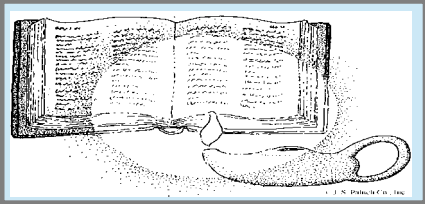
**Reconciliation:** by appointment only with Father Robert

**Parish Office:** (925) 778-0768

**Office Hours:** parish office hours are suspended due to increased virus activity. Staff availability is limited at this time. Please contact us by voicemail or email.

Check the parish website for liturgy schedule updates.

Thank you for your cooperation.



**The First Sunday  
of Lent**  
**February 21, 2021**

*Your ways, O LORD, make  
known to me; teach me your paths.*  
— Psalm 25:4

### *Stewardship of Treasure*

Thank you to everyone for your continued financial support during this time of anxiety and uncertainty.

Even though parish operations have been significantly curtailed, monthly expenses like gas, electricity, water, utilities and payroll are continuing.

*Weekend Offering for February 6-7*

**Thank you!**

**Weekend Offering** .....\$9,022.00

If you would like to mail your contributions, please use the rectory address;

St. Ignatius of Antioch  
209 Tanganyika Ct.  
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You may also drop envelopes off at the rectory using the mail slot in the garage door.

### *Mass Intentions*

**Sat., 9:00 am**

We will remember all Mass Intentions scheduled for the Liturgy requested, and weekday intentions prior to the actual day.

**2/20-21 - 9:00 am:**

Jim Peddicord  
Paul Schmidt  
Larry & Jeannine Ford (L)

**2/22 - Our Parish Family (L)**

**2/23 - All Priests & Deacons (L)**

**2/24 - All Care Givers (L)**

**2/25 - All First Responders (L)**

**2/26 - All Military Men & Women (L)**

### *Looking Ahead*

Please consult the parish website for the latest updates on the impact of the coronavirus outbreak on the liturgies, social events and faith formation sessions.

<https://www.stignatiusofantioch.org>

The easiest way to automatically receive information is via Flocknote. Visit the parish website to enroll or call the parish office for more information.

### *Beauty in Forgiveness*

Humanity is never so beautiful as when praying for forgiveness, or else forgiving another.

—Jean P. F. Richter

### *Pray for the Sick*

*Remember in your prayers all those who are sick or suffering in any way, especially:*

- |                     |                           |
|---------------------|---------------------------|
| Richard Augusta     | Elaine Lopez              |
| Baby Scott          | Matt and Marc Lopez       |
| Robert Ballesteros  | Ken Mason                 |
| Harry Bettencourt   | Carmen Morales-Hall       |
| Celso Borba         | Dr. Andrew Ness           |
| Gavin Cano          | Shane Rideau              |
| Pete Cardinale      | Nick Savedra              |
| Vincent Cortese     | Willy Senoran             |
| Stacia DeBuhr       | Bill Schnitzer            |
| Rose Fitzgerald     | George Torres             |
| Florencia T. Flores | Esperanza Valdez          |
| Parker Gutierrez    | Peter & Grace Villalpando |
| Phil Herlick        | Bob Wright                |
| Kristopher Leffle   |                           |

*Members of our Parish Family who are in the Military, hospitals, nursing homes, shut-ins, those affected by the coronavirus and all those who have no one to pray for them.*

### *Diocesan COVID-19 Updates*

The latest updates on COVID-19 that affect parishes are available at: <https://oakdiocese.org/response-to-coronavirus-pandemic>. There is also a link to this page on the right side of the parish website homepage: <https://www.stignatiusofantioch.org/>

### *Rest in Peace*

Please pray for the souls of **Paul Schmidt, Al Ribeiro, Pacrise Djeumo, Catarina Vargas Soite, Francisco Zaragoza, Don LaDue Sr., and Fr. Hilary Cooper.**

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

## Readings for the Week

Monday:	1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19
Tuesday:	Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday:	Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32
Thursday:	Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12
Friday:	Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5:20-26
Saturday:	Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48
Sunday:	Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ps 116:10, 15-19; Rom 8:31b-34; Mk 9:2-10

## Holy Rosary School

Holy Rosary is accepting applications for preschool through 8th grade. They are currently teaching in person and Hy Flex learning (this is at home learners that are projected on the white boards during class time). They are currently giving families a choice to be at the school or at home while providing superior academics for each and every student no matter how near or far. If you are interested, contact Jolie Golinveaux at 925-757-1270.



## 2021 Bishop's Appeal

The 2021 Bishop's Appeal kick-off was last weekend. Please see the article in Father's bulletin insert for additional information. Thank you for your support of this important effort. The funds collected go exclusively to the ministries of the diocese and for Seminarian and retired priest's care.



Sign-up for Flocknote by visiting the parish website and clicking on the Flocknote link under Quick Links on the homepage:  
[www.stignatiusofantioch.org](http://www.stignatiusofantioch.org)

## COVID-19 Updates

Contra Costa County Health Department has set the county's reopening level to purple, the most restrictive tier.

- All indoor in-person liturgies remain suspended at this time. Watch for updates on Flocknote or visit the parish website for the most current information.
- The parish is working to resume outdoor liturgies in early March utilizing the parking lot. Places will be available for those who wish to sit outside (bring your own chair) and for those who wish to remain in their automobiles. Audio will be broadcast on a local FM frequency.
- **Sunday Liturgy will continue to be uploaded to YouTube every Sunday morning. Visit the parish website for links: [stignatiusofantioch.org](http://stignatiusofantioch.org)**
- **Sunday walk-up Holy Communion will continue from 10:30 am to 11:30 am each Sunday.**
- The parish office is closed. Office staff availability is limited but voicemail and email will be checked frequently.
- All non-essential gatherings remain suspended. Any essential business meetings must be held virtually or outdoors.

Please note: Flocknote is the best method for receiving updated information. If you haven't yet enrolled in Flocknote, visit the parish website.

The parish website is also updated as soon as is practical with updated information.

## Marriage Encounter

We have found, now more than ever, during these trying times, married couples need something to enrich and strengthen their marriages. Since our normal "in person" weekends are not yet possible, we are offering a "Virtual Experience" that will take place via Zoom.

As we journey during this Lenten Season, let us take time to reflect on our marriage. What can we do to make our marriage even better? Learn how on an upcoming virtual Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend.

Go to <https://wwme.org/> to see when the next virtual Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends from the safety of your home are happening or call Ray & Roberta Montes at 916-806-4601.

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